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Before The
Federal Communications Commission
 Washington D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)
)
 Amendment of Section 73.202(b))
 Table of Assignments)
 FM Broadcast Stations)
 Kasilof, Alaska)

MM Docket No.

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

To: Chief, Policy and Rules Division

PETITION FOR RULEMAKING

William Glynn ("Glynn"), by his counsel and pursuant to 47 CFR § 1.401 of the Commission's rules, hereby respectfully petitions the Commission to institute a rulemaking proceeding looking toward the assignment of FM channel 229 to Kasilof, Alaska, and to amend Section 73.202(b) of the Commission's rules as follows:

City	Channel Number	
	Present	Proposed
Kasilof, Alaska	None	229

In support whereof, the following is shown:

The technical exhibit appended to this Petition For rulemaking shows full compliance with the Commission's mileage separation requirements. See Exhibit A. The exhibit also indicates that the proposed channel can be assigned with no other changes in the Table of Assignments.

Kasilof, Alaska, is an unincorporated community. The 1990 Census compiled by the U.S. Department of Commerce indicates that the population of Kasilof, a Census Designated Place, is 383 persons. Aside from its designation as a Census Designated Place, Kasilof exhibits other objective characteristics which fulfill the

Commission's requirements to qualify as a community.¹

Kasilof has a long history. Kasilof was settled as an early Russian village in the late 1700s, before Alaska became the property of the United States. It is the site of Fort St. George, a Russian fort dating back to 1786. Kasilof is also the site of the first cannery established in western Alaska in 1882.

Kasilof is listed in the *1994 Rand McNally Commercial Atlas and Marketing Guide*. There is a United States Post office located in Kasilof, with its own zip code. There is an airport known as the Kasilof Airport, the airstrip of which is maintained by the State of Alaska. There are several businesses in Kasilof, such as a grocery store, a video store, and a motel offering overnight accommodations. (See the attached exhibit entitled "Proposed Allocation" prepared by the Petitioner, appended in Exhibit B.)

The Commission, as mandated by Congress, has a long-standing policy to make allocations which constitutes the most efficient use of the spectrum. Consistent with that policy, the proposed allocation of channel 229 would result in the first local service to Kasilof.²

The attached declaration of the Petitioner indicates that, if the proposed channel is allocated to Kasilof, the Petitioner, a resident of Kasilof, will apply for a license to build and operate an FM station on that channel.

¹ These objective examples include the existence of political, commercial, social and religious organizations and services in the community.

² The State of Alaska has several television translators licensed to Kasilof. Petitioner does not believe that current Commission rules include such translators in its determination of first local service.

WHEREFORE, the foregoing premises considered, William Glynn hereby respectfully petitions the Commission to institute a rulemaking proceeding looking toward the assignment of FM channel 229 to Kasilof, Alaska.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM GLYNN

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Dated: February 2, 1994

EXHIBIT A

PROPOSED ALLOCATION

KASILOF, AK

PREPARED BY

WILLIAM J. GLYNN, JR.

Kasilof, AK is a small rural community on the Kenai peninsula in southcentral Alaska. It is roughly half way between Soldotna and Clam Gulch. Access is via the Sterling highway.

The original townsite of Kasilof is shown on supplemental plat, U.S. survey #3564, AK, United States Dept. of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Anchorage, AK. Officially filed May 28, 1982. Kasilof is also shown on U.S.G.S. topographic-bathymetric maps including Kenai, NP 5-8 and Kenai B-4 S.E. as well as the Rand McNally Alaska road map.

The U.S. Postal Service in Kasilof presently has 750 of its 20,000 boxes rented with an additional 50 boxes on delivery routes.

While Kasilof has no political boundaries or local government it is still a thriving community with its own previously mentioned post office, an airport, school, grocery stores, gas stations, video rental stores and the like. We also have a salmon hatchery and substantial seafood processing industry. The Kasilof river and other streams are major tourist attractions. Sportsmen find our world class fishing second only to the famous Kenai river. The people that live here just don't want the expense and rules associated with the government that is a required part of political boundaries.

PROPOSED ALLOCATION

KASILOF, AK

The State of Alaska, in realizing the importance of Kasilof, has installed and maintains four UHF TV translators to serve this area with Anchorage TV.

Because of the unique nature of our community, and the people in it, we need to have our own local radio station. Signals can be received from Kenai and Soldotna but those stations reflect a more cosmopolitan lifestyle common to those communities and offer little news of and information about our community.

PROPOSED FM STATION
KASILOF, AK
ENGINEERING STATEMENT
PREPARED BY
WILLIAM J. GLYNN, JR.

Predicted coverage of a new station, located at 60 22'44" N. Lat., 151 11'30" W. Long., to serve Kalilof, AK was determined pursuant to FCC part 73.313. Calculated HAAT is 82 meters. At 3kw e.r.p., using FCC part 73.333, the 70dbu distance is approximately 7mi. The 60dbu distance is approximately 14.5mi. These distances will exceed the requirements of FCC part 73.315 and insure 70dbu coverage of Kasilof, Cohoe, and Kalifornski, AK as well as 60dbu coverage of Clam Gultch, Kenai, and Soldotna, AK

PROPOSED ALLOCATION
KASILOF, AK
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CH 229, 93.7mhz

200khz	400khz	600khz	10.6/10.8mhz
93.5/228	93.3/227	93.1/226	104.3/282
93.9/230	94.1/231	94.3/232	104.5/283

FCC part 73.202(b), table of assignments, lists no Alaska allocations of CH 229. Houston, AK is assigned CH 232 but is 169km(105mi) away. This distance more that meets the minimum seperation requirements of 73.207(b)(1). CH 282 is listed in 73.202(b), table of assignments, for Delta Jct, AK and Juneau, AK but these communities are hundreds of miles from Kasilof, AK.

FM STATIONS WITHIN 110mi. OF KASLOF, AK

PREPARED BY

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CALL	FREQ.	CITY	DISTANCE	NOTES
KRUA	88.1A	ANCHORAGE	129km(80mi)	non-commercial
KATB	89.3A	ANCHORAGE	129km(80mi)	non-commercial
KSKA	91.1C	ANCHORAGE	129km(80mi)	non-commercial
KCZP	91.9C	KENAI	28km(17.5mi)	non-comm repeats KSKA
KAZO	96.5C	SOLDOTNA	26km(16mi)	not built
KEAG	97.3C	ANCHORAGE	129km(80mi)	
KLEF	98.1C	ANCHORAGE	129km(80mi)	
KYMG	98.9C	ANCHORAGE	129km(80mi)	
KMBQ	99.7A	WASILLA	177km(110mi)	
KWHQ	100.1A	KENAI	29km(18mi)	
KEFX	100.5C	ANCHORAGE	129km(80mi)	
KGOT	101.3C	ANCHORAGE	129km(80mi)	
KPEN	101.7C	SOLDOTNA	28km(17.5mi)	
KPXR	102.1C	ANCHORAGE	129km(80mi)	
KWVV	103.5C	HOMER	88km(55mi)	
KBRJ	104.1C	ANCHORAGE	129km(80mi)	
KNIK	105.3C	ANCHORAGE	129km(80mi)	
KWHL	106.5C	ANCHORAGE	129km(80mi)	
KASH	107.5C	ANCHORAGE	129km(80mi)	

LOCAL AM STATIONS

KSRM	920 5kw	KENAI	29km(18mi)	collocated with KWHQ
KZXX	980 1kw	KENAI	28km(17.5mi)	
KSLD	1140 10kw	SOLDOTNA	28km(17.5mi)	

EXHIBIT B

Percent Distribution Alaska Population by Sex, Race, and Hispanic Origin: 1990 Census		Sex		Race							Hispanic Origin (of any race)	
		All Persons	Male	Female	White	Black	Asian or Pacific Islander	American Indian, Eskimo, or Aleut				Other Race
								Total	American Indian	Eskimo		
Haines Borough	2,117	53.4	46.6	85.1	0.0	0.8	13.2	12.4	0.4	0.4	0.9	1.3
Covenant Life CDP	47	48.9	51.1	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1
Haines city	1,238	54.0	46.0	80.0	0.0	0.8	18.1	17.1	0.6	0.4	1.1	1.5
Lutak CDP	45	57.8	42.2	80.0	0.0	2.2	17.8	8.9	2.2	6.7	0.0	0.0
Mosquito Lake CDP	80	53.8	46.3	98.8	0.0	0.0	1.3	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.5
Juneau Borough	26,751	50.7	49.3	80.6	1.1	4.3	12.9	12.1	0.5	0.4	1.0	2.8
Juneau city	26,751	50.7	49.3	80.6	1.1	4.3	12.9	12.1	0.5	0.4	1.0	2.8
Kenai Peninsula Borough	40,802	53.0	47.0	90.9	0.5	1.0	7.2	3.4	1.8	2.1	0.4	1.8
Kenai-Cook Inlet census subarea	36,541	52.5	47.5	92.5	0.4	1.0	5.7	3.2	1.3	1.3	0.4	1.8
Anchor Point CDP	866	53.7	46.3	95.6	0.1	0.6	3.7	2.0	0.7	1.0	0.0	0.3
Clam Gulch CDP	79	58.2	41.8	86.1	0.0	1.3	12.7	1.3	11.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cohoe CDP	508	54.5	45.5	96.5	0.0	0.4	1.8	1.0	0.8	0.0	1.4	2.0
Cooper Landing CDP	243	56.4	43.6	97.9	0.0	0.8	1.2	0.4	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
Crown Point CDP	62	50.0	50.0	95.2	0.0	0.0	4.8	1.6	1.6	1.6	0.0	0.0
Fox River CDP	382	53.7	46.3	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fritz Creek CDP	1,426	53.7	46.3	95.4	0.6	0.6	3.4	1.5	1.3	0.6	0.0	0.9
Halibut Cove CDP	78	73.1	26.9	94.9	0.0	0.0	3.8	0.0	3.8	0.0	1.3	3.8
Happy Valley CDP	309	50.5	49.5	92.9	0.0	1.0	6.1	3.2	0.6	2.3	0.0	2.9
Homer city	3,660	51.1	48.9	94.6	0.2	1.5	3.6	1.2	1.2	1.1	0.1	1.9
Hope CDP	161	59.0	41.0	93.8	0.6	2.5	3.1	1.2	1.9	0.0	0.0	1.9
Jakolof Bay CDP	28	42.9	57.1	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Kachemak city	365	52.1	47.9	94.8	0.0	2.2	3.0	0.5	1.6	0.8	0.0	0.3
Kalifornsky CDP	285	53.7	46.3	94.7	0.0	1.1	4.2	2.5	0.7	1.1	0.0	0.0
Kasilof CDP	383	52.7	47.3	96.9	0.0	0.0	2.9	1.0	1.6	0.3	0.3	1.6
Kenai city	6,327	51.7	48.3	88.6	0.6	1.5	8.5	4.8	2.0	1.6	0.9	2.8
Moose Pass CDP	81	56.8	43.2	88.9	0.0	0.0	11.1	7.4	2.5	1.2	0.0	0.0
Nikiski CDP	2,743	51.7	48.3	93.0	0.1	0.7	6.1	4.3	1.2	0.6	0.0	1.3
Nikolaevsk CDP	371	47.7	52.3	96.8	0.0	1.9	1.3	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3
Nimilchik CDP	456	54.2	45.8	80.5	0.0	0.0	19.5	9.6	1.1	8.8	0.0	0.9
Primrose CDP	63	47.6	52.4	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Ridgeway CDP	2,018	52.1	47.9	92.5	0.4	1.8	4.6	2.4	1.2	1.0	0.6	1.7
Salamatof CDP	999	62.8	37.2	85.5	3.2	0.5	10.4	4.4	3.0	3.0	0.4	2.8
Seldovia city	316	52.8	47.2	82.0	0.0	1.6	15.2	5.4	0.6	9.2	1.3	2.5
Soldotna city	3,482	49.6	50.4	93.8	0.3	1.1	4.5	2.3	0.9	1.3	0.3	2.7
Sterling CDP	3,802	53.1	46.9	96.6	0.0	0.9	2.1	1.1	0.6	0.4	0.4	1.0
Tyonek CDP	154	59.7	40.3	7.8	0.0	0.0	92.2	89.6	1.3	1.3	0.0	0.0
Seward census subarea	4,261	56.6	43.4	77.3	1.6	1.1	19.7	5.2	6.0	8.6	0.3	1.9
English Bay CDP	158	50.6	49.4	8.9	0.0	0.0	91.1	2.5	7.6	81.0	0.0	0.6
Port Graham CDP	166	54.2	45.8	9.0	0.0	0.6	90.4	0.6	1.2	88.6	0.0	0.0
Seward city	2,699	58.8	41.2	80.5	2.6	1.4	15.2	6.0	6.9	2.3	0.4	2.1
Ketchikan Gateway Borough	13,828	52.2	47.8	81.8	0.4	3.6	13.7	12.9	0.3	0.5	0.5	2.1
Ketchikan city	8,263	51.8	48.2	78.3	0.6	4.9	15.7	14.9	0.3	0.5	0.6	2.5
Saxman city	369	53.4	46.6	20.6	0.0	1.9	77.0	75.6	1.1	0.3	0.5	1.9

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. Compiled by Alaska Department of Labor, Research & Analysis, June 1991. CDP: Census Designated Place.

Alaska Population by Age Category: 1990 Census		Age										Median Age
Census area listing	All Persons	Under 5 years	16 years and over	18 years and over	21 years and over	25 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 59 years	60 to 64 years	65 years and over	85 years and over	
Lutak CDP	45	1	33	31	30	20	4	2	2	2	—	36.9
Mosquito Lake CDP	80	10	47	43	41	28	6	2	2	—	—	22.0
Juneau Borough	26,751	2,410	19,580	18,901	18,008	10,924	3,004	821	649	1,364	100	31.9
Juneau city	26,751	2,410	19,580	18,901	18,008	10,924	3,004	821	649	1,364	100	31.9
Kenai Peninsula Borough	40,802	3,795	28,724	27,406	26,061	15,510	4,280	1,387	1,181	2,015	81	31.1
Kenai-Cook Inlet census subarea	36,541	3,438	25,543	24,328	23,094	13,721	3,850	1,254	1,025	1,799	64	31.0
Anchor Point CDP	866	77	606	589	569	305	113	36	30	62	3	32.9
Clam Gulch CDP	79	4	54	50	47	23	9	4	4	7	—	31.5
Cohoe CDP	508	49	349	338	331	195	43	18	22	36	3	32.3
Cooper Landing CDP	243	19	192	183	174	61	28	17	24	42	—	41.7
Crown Point CDP	62	—	50	47	43	23	9	1	2	6	1	38.1
Fox River CDP	382	77	166	143	113	71	8	2	4	10	2	14.0
Fritz Creek CDP	1,426	158	947	898	868	568	143	39	31	46	5	30.9
Halibut Cove CDP	78	—	75	75	75	44	19	2	5	4	—	40.9
Happy Valley CDP	309	23	224	214	207	108	33	21	21	22	—	36.7
Homer city	3,660	333	2,652	2,549	2,432	1,446	389	108	95	260	16	32.4
Hope CDP	161	18	122	120	118	70	19	3	6	15	1	36.1
Jakolof Bay CDP	28	4	23	23	23	15	2	2	3	—	—	35.0
Kachemak city	365	22	262	255	248	134	48	10	22	25	1	34.6
Kalifornsky CDP	285	28	193	185	177	120	21	12	7	9	1	31.5
Kasilof CDP	383	34	270	258	243	151	42	19	8	14	—	32.9
Kenai city	6,327	673	4,462	4,253	3,992	2,368	624	206	175	259	11	28.6
Moose Pass CDP	81	6	61	61	59	38	7	3	3	7	—	34.4
Nikiski CDP	2,743	264	1,847	1,743	1,631	986	317	79	66	94	1	30.4
Nikolaevak CDP	371	70	182	163	144	87	16	6	3	8	—	15.7
Ninilchik CDP	456	29	346	331	322	153	53	22	21	62	—	37.0
Primrose CDP	63	6	46	46	45	16	7	3	5	11	—	41.9
Ridgeway CDP	2,018	146	1,427	1,349	1,270	706	263	81	51	94	1	31.1
Salamatof CDP	999	49	803	777	739	447	92	41	28	62	—	31.5
Seldovia city	316	23	232	223	215	97	45	15	18	32	6	35.5
Soldotna city	3,482	330	2,425	2,301	2,171	1,302	337	115	84	176	6	29.5
Sterling CDP	3,802	346	2,644	2,499	2,376	1,428	396	133	110	185	2	31.7
Tyonek CDP	154	10	113	104	98	46	20	8	3	9	—	29.1
Seward census subarea	4,261	357	3,181	3,078	2,967	1,789	430	133	156	216	17	31.9
English Bay CDP	158	22	88	83	77	47	13	3	—	4	—	20.0
Port Graham CDP	166	16	115	112	104	49	24	8	7	9	—	30.7
Seward city	2,699	205	2,122	2,056	1,990	1,174	282	79	104	169	15	32.6
Ketchikan Gateway Borough	13,828	1,211	10,080	9,706	9,199	5,110	1,589	465	436	907	85	31.7
Ketchikan city	8,263	700	6,208	5,990	5,651	2,994	917	283	278	675	74	31.7
Saxman city	369	38	256	246	229	126	41	11	10	23	—	29.1
Kodiak Island Borough	13,309	1,403	9,494	9,178	8,619	5,582	1,125	342	260	425	30	28.7
Kodiak Island census subarea	11,284	1,128	8,152	7,864	7,446	4,667	1,075	337	252	419	30	30.0
Aldhiok city	77	12	43	39	39	20	11	2	1	—	—	21.3

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. Compiled by Alaska Department of Labor, Research & Analysis, June 1991. CDP: Census Designated Place

Precincts within the Kenai Peninsula Borough

ALASKA LEGISLATURE House Seat 7		TOTAL	Anchor Point	Bear Creek	Cook Inlet	Cooper Landing	Diamond Ridge	English Bay	Fritz Creek	Homer 1	Homer 2	Homer 3	Hope	Kalifornsky	Kasilof	Kenai 1	Kenai 2	Kenai 3	Kenai 4	Moose Pass	Nikiski 1	Nikiski 2	Nimilchik	Port Graham	Ridgeway	Salamatof	Seldovia	Seward 1	Seward 2	Soldotna 1	Soldotna 2	Sports Lake	Sterling	Tustumena 1	Tustumena 2	Tyonek		
Rep. Gail Phillips (R)	870	123	60	86	108	82	95	69						81								85												81				
Susan Kernes (D)	974	90	59	121	182	85	128	89						57								64												99				
John Velasco (D)	297	81	11	22	39	28	40	40						15								27												24				
Bern Levine (G)	223	33	7	25	48	21	23	16						19								9												22				
House Seat 8																																						
Gary Davis (R)	321		NA	NA												NA						33		NA	NA	121	67	48	39				13					
Mel Krogseng (R)	139		NA	NA												NA						31		NA	NA	29	18	27	31				3					
Ron Sartain (R)	226		NA	NA												NA						42		NA	NA	48	36	22	78				2					
Jack Taylor (R)	81		NA	NA												NA						16		NA	NA	11	15	11	24				4					
Andy Mack (D)	524		NA	NA												NA						107		NA	NA	142	89	67	105				14					
Jonathan Sewall (D)	163		NA	NA												NA						31		NA	NA	52	20	13	45				2					
Louie March (AI)	47		NA	NA												NA						5		NA	NA	17	3	5	16				1					
Norm Stuard (AI)	78		NA	NA												NA						8		NA	NA	13	11	16	27				3					
House Seat 9																																						
Rep. Mike Navarre (D)*	825										NA	88		131	167	94	78			106	119				42													
Mark Hodgins (R)*	896										NA	109		113	152	85	57			135	178				57													
Senate Seat E																																						
Rep. Jim Zawacki (R)*	597										NA	70		66	100	50	32			101	141				37													
Joe Marks (R)*	403										NA	53		61	88	48	31			47	74				21													
Senate Seat D																																						
Sen. Paul Fischer (R)	1,045	109	NA	88	NA	64		75	67		56			35					NA		77		69		NA	NA	118	85	53	132	55	14						
David Horne (R)	643	30	NA	41	NA	38		50	33		43			11																								

Don't forget: If you didn't already get your tickets, the Unocal Senior Citizens dinner will be this Thursday at 6 p.m. at the Unocal camp. Tickets are \$25 per person for what promises to be a fantastic steak dinner. Louise Scalf reports that Alyeska Pipeline Company recently donated a 1984 crew cab diesel 4-by-4 pickup to the seniors. Following dinner there will be a Chinese auction, and a slide or video presentation about the new center being built. Bill Grimm is putting together the program, and you know how good he is! You can purchase tickets at the door, or at the community center.

Mexico mission accomplished: Ameye Mazurek reports that she, Paul Taber and Jake Kendall recently traveled in a group of 30 Alaska youths on a mission to build homes for the homeless in Mexico. Young folks from Idaho, Kansas, Arizona and Alaska took part in this particular project. The Alaska group flew into San Diego, drove to

home, eh? They stayed in California for two more days with host families, and were delighted to have a refreshing swim after six days without a shower. During their stay in Mexico, "showers" consisted of two gallons of water (with algae in it) poured from milk jugs. Ameye reports that Paul and Jake were in a different "building" group than she was. When I asked Ameye if she would do it again, her reply was, "Definitely I'll remember it for the rest of my life." Amour Ministries, which arranges the work "missions," arranges sessions for church groups all through the summer, and have over 1,000 people on various sites during "spring break."

One more plea: Al Poyner called to ask me to announce that Boy Scout Troop No. 653 will hold its fall organizational meeting at Nikiski Fire station No. 1 at 7:30 p.m. this Thursday, Sept. 10. The troop is looking for both new scouts and more leaders. The troop is in danger of being

host Suzette taped six shows during her recent trip to Nashville, and will host the more in October. During the one-hour video segments, Suzette introduces the various artists and talks about them. She has also been invited to appear on the Grand Old Opry when she returns to Nashville in October. Your neighbors are really proud of you, Suzie!

Bits and pieces: In case you somehow missed the grand opening Labor Day weekend, the new grocery store is open in the Nikishka Mall. Stop in and check it out. ... Don't forget that the Country Store is still open at the Chuk Wagen, too. ... Don't forget to pick up tickets for the Wheeler Bowl on Sept. 13 at 2 p.m. if you haven't already. It'll be the Peninsula Allstars vs. a team from Anchorage. It's always great fun, so come on out.

Next week: New teachers at Nikiski schools. ... I didn't get to finish talking with Jason Floyd, so we'll find out about his trip to Japan next week.

PENINSULA CLARION
9/8/92

KASILOF



**SUSANNE
ZEPPENFELDT
CHAMBERS**

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Dolly Gerberg was the first woman to live and settle on the south side of the Kasilof River. Dolly and her husband, Harry, moved to Kasilof in December 1936 from Nome. Their first winter was spent in a trapper's cabin on Victor Holms' homestead. The following spring they began their homestead on 105 acres, which is located at the end of Webb-Ramsell Road, 1.7 miles. The homestead has a large amount of riverfront and was utilized by many fishermen for access.

Dolly Gerberg is now 83-years-young and has lived on the homestead for more than half of a century. She lost her husband, Harry, to illness last January. Dolly can't imagine ever leaving the homestead and plans to stay as long as she is able. She says she has lots of good memories and leaving the homestead would probably end her life.

In 1937, Harry and Dolly had planned to make their liv-

ing in fox farming. In those days, that was the way of life for the community. The prices dropped on fox farming, so fishing was the next plan. Harry went to work for Libby Cannery and ran their boats. Women weren't allowed on boats in that period of time, and Harry was real sick of that rule, so he built the Dolly G, which was 32 feet long and was equipped with a mask, boom and stabilizer. It was capable of holding 5 tons, which qualified the Gerbergs for medical and dental benefits through marine insurance.

Dolly remembers very clearly the price of fish. She says that they got 4 cents for each pink, 4 cents for chums, 14 cents for reds or silvers and 56 and 2/3 cents for each king no matter what it weighed. After their first fishing season was over, they purchased their gear and broke even with \$2.59 to spare. Dolly says if anyone doubts these prices, she has it all recorded in her journals.

Dolly says she was the worst sailor, but was bound and determined to fish with her husband. In 1950, Harry decided the Dolly G was too slow to keep up with the competition, so he built the faster Dolly G No. 2.

They survived during the winter with canned, salted or corned moose and sheep. They hunted together, mostly in the Tustumena area. They would split up, one on one side of the river and the other on the other side. The one that shot a moose first would single the other by shooting off three shots into the air or ground and the other would quit hunting immediately. Dolly figures in her lifetime, she has harvested at least 20 to 25 moose all on her own. During

that period of time, they had no method of keeping meat for a length of time other than to process it, so they would share their harvest with older people who couldn't hunt or families that needed the meat.

Once a year, in the fall, they would receive their groceries from Seattle. They would arrive in Seldovia or Seward by Alaska Steam Ship and then be brought up the Kasilof River by smaller boats. She would grow as much vegetables and fruits as she could harvest in her garden and would store it all in their root cellar.

She recalls a time when she went out spruce hunting with a neighbor child, Dolly Crystal, age 11. Dolly G. and little Dolly walked off from the house with a dog and two rifles. Little Dolly carried the .22 rifle for the birds and Dolly G. carried the .30-06 rifle for protection. It was just a little ways from the house when they walked right on top of a sow black bear and her two cubs. Dolly realized she didn't have much time to react. She told little Dolly to hold down the dog so he would not interfere, and Dolly had to take her best shot. She realized she would have no choice but to shoot all three. It took her three shots and the job was done.

Dolly Crystal is a now a grandmother and a retired nurse and lives across the street from the Kasilof Post Office. I'm sure she has some real interesting stories to share with her grandchildren.

Harry and Dolly retired from fishing in 1974 due to Harry's poor health.

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On the other hand, he is a little tired of the "Chim Chim Cheree" recording on his answering machine.

"I don't do too many gigs on the roof," he said.

The chimney sweeping business is basically year-round, Weinert said, although things slow down in the summer and he goes to work in the canneries. Things pick up in the fall, when temperatures start dropping and people begin to think about firing up their wood stoves.

"There's always a few that wait until it's 20 below and blowing," Weinert said. "Usually I can get out there right away."

Weinert recommends having a chimney cleaned regularly, depending on use.

"Wood stoves should be inspected at least once a year," he said, noting how important maintenance is for avoiding the danger of chimney fires.

Many people prefer to do the cleaning themselves, or don't know there's a sweep available. Weinert jokes that he's heard about some interesting approaches to the problem of getting the sooty build-up out of a chimney.

Ideas range from rattling a chain around in the chimney to the less likely measures of lowering a cat to scratch soot off or letting a duck fly up from the bottom.

"Some people say they just burn it out," Weinert said. "There's no replacement for getting a brush down there."

He also has advice about what to burn.

"As a general rule, hard wood is gonna burn a lot cleaner," he said. Birch, a softer wood, causes a thick, goopy creosote that's hard to clean.

Unlike some other specialists, Weinert makes nothing but house calls, arriving in a well-used pick-up with "Tustumena Hills Chimney Sweeps" stenciled on the side.

At a client's home, Weinert's first step is to spread a sheet of canvas on the floor surrounding the fireplace. Then he brings in some equipment, including an electric vacuum the size of an oil drum. After removing and cleaning the grate over the flue, he is ready to move outside.

Working on the roof is one of Weinert's favorite parts of the job. He has been up Mount St. Helens, twice up McKinley, and he has attempted Iliamna. He also rides a unicycle for fun, so heights and balance are no problem. Nevertheless, he takes the ascent of a house seriously.

"Every roof is a different problem," he said. "Some of 'em are pretty hair-raising."

While some roofs are "as easy as can be," others, such as A-frames, can be dangerous, and may require rigging an extra ladder as a sort of scaffold from which to work.

A lot of times metal roofs are the worst," Weinert said. Ice can become a real problem., although snow is sometimes "real handy" for packing into steps. So far Weinert has not had anything worse than a shin bruise, but he once got a call from a woman who asked him to replace their chimney cap after her husband took a nasty fall.

Once at the top, Weinert removes the chimney cap and cleans it off. Then he takes a brush with blade-like bristles and feeds it down the stovepipe, adding handle segments to reach the bottom. Back inside the house he opens the stove and scoops out the dirt that the brush scraped off, with the vacuum running to keep down the soot.

"Most times the place is usually cleaner than when I get there," he said.

Soldotna resident Eileen McKenzie thinks of calling the chimney sweep as a regular part of getting ready for cold weather.

You never know — winter could set in at any time," said McKenzie, who relies on a wood-burning stove to keep her house heated. "We keep it going night and day."

She first called Weinert about 10 years ago because she was concerned about the house fires she heard about in the area. When he showed up, she was surprised at his appearance.

"I said 'Shoot, this isn't halloween!'"

Weinert, who lives in Kasilof, likes being his own boss and having time to pick his daughter up from school. Being a chimney sweep gives him that freedom.

"It's never really full time, but that's kinda how I like it," he said. He also enjoys discovering the areas his house calls take him to. "It's surprising how many neighborhoods there are around Kenai and Soldotna."

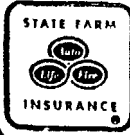
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